

Chairs report of Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee and Active and Cohesive Scrutiny Committee

Members of the Health and Wellbeing and Active and Cohesive Scrutiny Committee have met jointly on 3 occasions to look at ways that the Borough can have a positive effect on the lives of our residents living with dementia.

With the support of elected members and together with our partners, the Amateur Swimming Association and Will Boyce, CEO of Approach we hope to move forward with an action plan to introduce Dementia Friendly Swimming into our facility at J2.

As we understand more about dementia we have learned how relatively small changes to our facilities and public spaces can positively influence the lives of those affected by dementia. This may lead to further recommendations to Cabinet.

With the support of our officers and Will Boyce we are compiling a data base of dementia friendly facilities and activities within our Borough.

Alongside our work in the area of dementia we will be looking at young carers and how well they access the Space Programme and the topic of autism awareness.

Councillor R Wright and Councillor G Williams